

Holy Trinity & St Hugh's Bulletin

December 2023



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH Christmas Services



Christingle & Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd Dec @ 10.00am

Carol Service

Sunday 17th Dec @ 6.00pm

Crib Service

Sunday 24th Dec @ 3.00pm

Midnight Mass

Sunday 24th Dec @ 11.30pm

Christmas Day

Monday 25th Dec @ 10.00am

Come and Celebrate the Birth of Jesus

Holy Trinity Church .Hamp



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Dates for your Diary

3	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Christingle & Holy Communion
		HT	11.15am	Choir practice
4	Monday	HT	10.00am	Social Moming in hall
5	Tuesday	HT	All day	Blake School setting up
		HT	6.00pm	Blake School Christmas Concert
		Hall	6.00pm	Cubs Christmas Session
7	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
9	Saturday	StH	3.00pm	Matt & Steph Betrothal Service
10	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		StH	3.00pm	Evensong
11	Monday	HT	10.00am	Social Moming in hall
		HT	1.30pm	Hamp Infants' Christmas Assembly
12	Tuesday	HT	6.00pm	Sacred Space
14	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		HT	10.45am	Bible Study Group
17	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		StH	3.00pm	Carol Service
		HT	6.00pm	Carol Service
19	Tuesday	HT	6.00pm	Sacred Space
21	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
24	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		HT	3.00pm	Crib Service
		HT	11.30pm	Midnight Mass
25	Monday	HT	10.00am	Christmas communion Service
		StH	11.15am	Christmas communion Service
30	Thursday	HT	10.00am	NO COMMUNION SERVICE THIS WEEK
31	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		HT	12.00pm	Baptism of Freddie Shier

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3. 16 KJV

Bible Study Group

You are welcome to join in. No long-term commitment. Come along as you like.

Fellowship - Bible Study - Prayer - Refreshments



Holy Trinity. 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month at 10.45am



Apologies for any errors or omissions in this edition of 'The Bulletin'. Any missed out items will be mentioned in notices during Sunday Services.

Preparing our Hearts for Christ's Arrival

As we enter the season of Advent, we are reminded of the profound significance it holds in the Christian faith. Advent, which means "coming" or "arrival," is a time of joyful anticipation and spiritual preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. It is a period of reflection, expectation, and hope as we await the coming of the Saviour, not only in the manger but also in our hearts.

Advent, which typically begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, is a time to prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Christ's birth. It allows us to take a step back from the busyness of the holiday season, to set aside the distractions of materialism and consumerism, and to focus on the true reason for the season – the gift of God's Son to the world.

Just as John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus by preaching repentance and righteousness, we are called to prepare our hearts through prayer, self-examination, and acts of kindness. Advent reminds us to make room in our lives for Jesus, not only during this season but every day of the year.

Advent is a season of hope, a time to remember and reflect upon the Old Testament prophecies and the promises of a coming Messiah. The candles of the Advent wreath, one lit each week, symbolise the increasing light of Christ's presence dispelling the darkness of sin. Each candle represents a different aspect of the hope, peace, joy, and love that Christ brings into our lives. In a world often filled with despair, violence, and uncertainty, Advent serves as a powerful reminder that our hope is found in Christ alone. As we journey through this season, we are encouraged to cling to the hope of Christ's second coming, where He will bring ultimate redemption, peace, and justice.

Rev Dean

"Social Mornings" at Holy Trinity every Monday, 10am-12pm

Open House - all welcome - open to anyone and everyone

- in the Church Hall for the time being -

socialise, chat, craft if you want to, or just sit quietly and read

We'd love to see you there 😊

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Hamp St, Bridgwater TA6 6AR

SACRED SPACE

Tuesday 14th November @ 6pm
Tuesday 28th November @ 6pm
Tuesday 12th December @ 6pm
Tuesday 19th December @ 6pm

Sacred Space will be a 30 minute time of meditation and relaxation. As we enter a busy time of year it will be a time to escape all the stresses of life and the busyness of the day. You are welcome to join us in Church and find time just for you in prayer and relaxation. The final session on the 19th will be a time to share a meal together.

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LOOKING FORWARD



As January brings a gentle start to the year, we see mainly the usual Church services that happen every week.

Rev Dean has had a request to continue the Sacred Space time twice a month, so keep a look out for that.

Otherwise in January we have a St Hugh's PCC meeting at 10:30am on the 22nd January.



Regular Church Services at Holy Trinity

Every Sunday: 10.00am Holy Communion (1 hr)


Every Thursday: 10.00am Holy Communion (½ hr)

Regular Church Services at St Hugh's, Durleigh

2nd Sunday: 3.00pm Evensong (45 Mins)

4th Sunday: 3.00pm Holy Communion (50 Mins)

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